

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed June 27, 2005 has been received and the Examiner's comments carefully reviewed. Claims 29 and 31-38 are currently pending. Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

The Examiner rejected claims 29, 36, and 38 under U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Scott (U.S. Patent 5,661,963) in view of Austin et al. (U.S. Patent 5,531,283). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection but have amended claim 29 to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 30. Further discussion regarding the patentability of claim 29 and dependent claims 36, and 38 is believed to be unnecessary. Applicants submit that claims 29, 36, and 38 are in condition for allowance.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner objected to claims 30-35 and 37, but indicated that claims 30-35 and 37 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form incorporating all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants thank the Examiner for this notification. The subject matter of objected-to claim 30 has been incorporated into base claim 29.

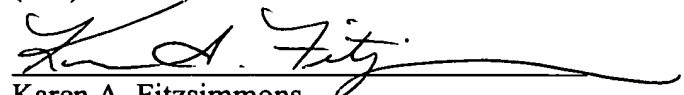
It is respectfully submitted that each of the presently pending claims (claims 29 and 31-38) is in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the below-listed telephone number if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,



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